"Holiday House" Open Sunday

Mrs. C. T. Moses, Jr., left, and Mrs. Ivey Holland, right, are seen preparing decorations for a fireplace in a den in the C. S. McDearmon home that will be open to the public on December 19th from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m.

"Holiday House" is being decorated by members of the Appomattox Garden Club and for an admission of $1.00 the public is invited to come by and see the beautifully decorated first floor of the C. S. McDearmon home.

Refreshments will be served. Stop by, you will enjoy your visit.

Con-Terra's December Activities Announced

The Con-Terra Woman's Club held its Christmas party Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Floyd. Each member brought a covered dish. The home was beautifully decorated for Christmas and everyone enjoyed the party, that followed the buffet dinner.

On Friday, Dec. 17, Santa, accompanied by some members of the club, will visit Concord Elementary School, grades kindergarden through the second. He will give each child Christmas candy as well as take orders for Christmas Eve. All you children be thinking about what to tell Santa you want for Christmas.

Each year it has been our custom to provide refreshments, singing, and gifts for the resident of the Spout Spring Nursing Home. This year will be no different. We will visit with them Tues., Dec. 21. Santa will also be in attendance there this year. Club members, their children and husbands usually attend and have a wonderful time. We will meet at the nursing home at 7 p.m. If you can bake anything or would like to help in any way, contact Mrs. Melvin Giles, Mrs. Wiley Warriner or Mrs. Jerry French.

Our club is selling Life Saver Candy Books, price $1.00. If you have not been contacted by a club member and are interested in this candy please contact Mrs. Clayton Stanley, 993-2986. These make great stocking stuffers.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Con-Terra Woman's Club of Concord.

Christmas Program At Early Chapel

Early's Chapel United Methodist Church at Concord, will be having their Christmas Program, December 19, 1976, at 5:00 P.M. at the Sherwil Community Center. The program, "And They Knew Him Not" written by Marcia M. Sabel, starts with the manger but it concludes with the ressurrection, thus fulfilling all the prophecies regarding the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The whole Sunday School is involved in presenting this program which will end with everyone sitting around the fireplace singing Christmas Carols. We invite eveyone to join us in this program and to share with us the Spirit of Christmas.

Liberty Youth Singers To Present Christmas Musical

The combined choirs of Liberty Baptist Church including the Sanctuary Choir and the Liberty Youth Singers will present the musical cantata pantomine, "The Story of Christmas", by John Peterson on Sunday, December 19th at 7:30 p.m.

The program is directed by Mrs. J. Franklin Vaughan and accompanied by Mrs. Maymond Mitchell, pianist, assisted by Faith Vaughn at the organ.

During the expansion of the musical, the story of Chistmas is unfolded by traditional pantomine characters. The Shepherds and wisemen come to visit the new born king at the manger with Mary and Joseph and heavenly angels. The climax of the musical portrays that wise men of all nations still seek him today and rejoice in his love and salvation.

A girls choir from the Liberty Youth Singers will sing "Jesus, Little Son", a Christmas lullaby.

Residents of the area are cordially invited to attend the worship service as the combined choirs sing to proclaim the wonderful story of Christmas.

Presbyterian Church To Present Christmas Program

The Appomattox Court House Presbyterian Church will present two Christmas programs this season.

At the 11 o'clock service on Sunday morning, December 19th, the Pioneer Youth will present "Joseph And The Nativity" by Ellen Jane Lorenz. The program is directed by Mrs. Jane Pack and Mrs. Dennis Vance. Reader will be Mr. Tommy Matthews. This will be a rewarding experience and we invite everyone to attend.

The second program is scheduled also for Sunday, December 19th at 5:00 p.m. This will be the annual "Joy Gift Program". Featured will be a cantata by the Junior Choir, "Lo, A Star", by Robert Graham and directed by Mrs. Sandra Martin and Mrs. Virginia Carnifix. This will be followed by a program of music by the Chancel Choir. This will be comprised of selected songs centered around the events of the birth of Christ. It will feature solo and group singing as well as combined voices of the choir. It is under the direction of Mrs. Karen Gibson, and Mrs. Virginia Carnifix at the organ.

The Rev. Cecil Dalton, church pastor, and the congregation invite every one to attend this outstanding program of Christmas music.

There will be a covered dish fellowship supper at the close of the program in the church fellowship hall.

BIRTHDAYS

Debbie Knight	Dec. 15
Mrs. Laura Jordan	Dec. 23
Tadd W. Jennings	Jan. 22

"MIRACLE IN BETHLEHEM TO BE PRESENTED AT ROCKS CHURCH

A Christmas play, "Miracle In Bethlehem" will be presented at Rocks Baptist Church in Pamplin on Sunday, December 19th at 7:30 p.m.

The pastor and congregation of Rocks Baptist Church invites you to join them for this Christmas program. You will find it interesting and inspirational.

CHRISTMAS PLAY SET AT EVERGREEN METHODIST CHURCH

The youth of Evergreen Methodist Church will present a Christmas play, "The Inn Keeper" on December 23rd at 7:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

EASTERN STAR MEETING TO BE HELD DEC. 20

The stated meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star will be held Mon., Dec. 20, 1976 at 8 p.m. in the Chapter Room. All members are urged to attend.

Virginia T. Ferguson, Sec.

UDC To Meet Tonight, Dec. 16

The Appomattox Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet in regular session at the Farmers National Bank, Triangle Plaza Branch on Thursday, December 16th at 7:30 p.m.

All members are encouraged to attend.

Society News

IF YOU HAVE SOCIAL ITEMS.

PLEASE CALL 352-8215

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Newcomb and Cindy and Scotty of Pouguoson spent the past weekend with their parents, Mrs. S. J. Evans of Appomattox and Mrs. A. C. Newcomb of Lynchburg.

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Dinner guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vaughan and Bill were Mr. and Mrs. Mel Coleman, Susan and Jimmy of Farmville and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Vaughan and Helen Lee of Farmville.

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Dinner guests on Sunday of Mrs. S. J. Evans were Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Newcomb, Cindy and Scotty of Pouguoson, Mrs. Mary Watt Matthews of Culpeper, and Mrs. E. L. Almond and Dana of Madison Heights.

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Miss Pat Hudson, a senior at Longwood College, will arrive home Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hudson.

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Miss Paula Franklin, a student at Madison College, Harrisonburg, Va. will arrive on Friday to spend the Christmas and New Year Holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Franklin.

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Miss Dana Almond of Madison Heights is spending this week with her grandmother, Mrs. S. J. Evans.

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E. W. Paulette, Jr. a student at Bluefield College, Bluefield, Va. will arrive on Thursday to spend the Christmas and New Year Holidays with his mother, Mrs. Frances H. Paulette.

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Original holiday decorations add to merriment!

For a shimmering effect, swag long strips of tinsel at the top of your windows, over whatever curtains or drapes are already there. Add glistening Christmas tree balls and you'll have a picture window that is lovely inside and out.

For a festive indoor window-sill box, fill a long planter with evergreens and tuck bright tinsel flowers thickly through the greens. You might also want to stand this Christmas garden on a long book shelf.

Hang a silver metal lettuce basket in some unexpected corner of your house, filled with large and small balls of colored yarn accented with gleaming Christmas tree balls . . . all silver would be spectacular!

A simple and sophisticated table centerpiece can be a conversation piece when entertaining. Fill a glass hurricane chimney with cranberries, kumquats or crab apples and top with a tuft of graceful seasonal greenery. Flanked by graceful candles it is a lovely sight. If you're lucky enough to have a mantelpiece, this colorful arrangement will look charming on it as well.

Anderson-Clark Date Announced For Wedding

The marriage of Miss Dorene Anderson to Roger B. Clark will take place on Friday, December 24th at 2 o'clock in the afternoon -- instead of 4 o'clock as had originally been announced -- at Memorial United Methodist Church.

Friends of the couple are invited to attend.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PLANNED AT RED OAK BAPTIST CHURCH

A Christmas Program will be presented at Red Oak Baptist Church in Oakville on Sunday, December 19th, at 7:30 P.M.

Following the program will be a time of fellowship in the social hall at the church and a visit from Santa Claus for all the children present.

The public is invited to attend.

Shower Honors Bride Elect

Miss Dorene Anderson was honored Tuesday, November 23rd, with a linen shower given in the home of Mrs. R. B. Parris.

Hostesses were Miss Mary Louise Parris and Mrs. R. B. Parris.

Attending were choir members of Memorial United Methodist Church, sister and friends of the honoree.

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Arts & Crafts Center To Close For Winter

On Saturday, December 18th at 5 p.m. the Historic Appomattox Station Arts & Crafts Center will close for the winter months. It is scheduled to reopen in April.

The artists and craftspeople associated with the Center would like to thank the people of Appomattox for their patronage and support during the year.

Any Craft Center member with items left consigned to the shop when it closes should withdraw those items on Monday, December 20th, or on Tuesday, December 21st, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. If any members are not able to get their items on these dates, they are asked to call H.A.S.A.C.C. President Margaret O'Brien and make alternate arrangements.

The Center asks that no withdrawals be made before closing time on December 18th.

Miss Brenda Vernise McCoy

Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Jamin W. McCoy of Appomattox announce the engagement of their daughter, Brenda Vernise, to Paul Lawrence Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Johnson of Forest.

Miss McCoy is a 1975 graduate of Appomattox County High School and attended Central Virginia Community College. She is presently employed at Sangil Industries.

Mr. Johnson is a 1974 graduate of Jefferson Forest High School and is employed at Archer Creek Foundry.

The wedding will be an event of Saturday, January 1, 1977. A wedding reception will follow at the Oakville School building at 6:30 in the evening.

Tempting scent to holiday candles

You have only to light a candle to fill your home with the tempting smells of holiday fare. Cranberries, gingerbread, nut bread waft through the air whetting family appetites. Holyberry and fresh pine scented candles add to natural greenery and give an elegant touch to a mantle or dinner table. Scented candles, newly available, add to the festive mood of Christmas. To make candles last through the holiday season here are some suggestions:

- ★ Tapers on a dinner table should be at lip or chin level. The soft glow is flattering to all.
- ★ When blowing candles out hold your finger in front of the flame to keep the hot wax from spattering.
- ★ Scratching through the outer layer of wax with your fingernail, will release additional fragrance from scented candles.
- ★ Store candles by laying them flat in a dark, dry place. For slow and even burning, place candles in refrigerator overnight before using.

You don't have to premix the sugar and molasses when they will be blended with other ingredients in a recipe, just add them both to the mixture.

Unsulphured molasses, such as Grandma's Molasses, can also be substituted for brown sugar entirely, in many recipes, because of its light taste and sweetness not found in other types of molasses.

Cooking with molasses seems like a sweet way to wile away a rainy day.

CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS

It's a party! THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Everyone gets into the act at this favorite Christmas party. Invite dear friends and relatives for a heart-warming evening for all. The hostess hangs baskets with ribbons, popcorn, colored papers and cellophane, foil, seals, bells, colored yarns, scissors, glue, whatever. Each one makes ornaments from whatever suits his or her fancy, and then uses them to trim the tree. Prizes can be awarded for the funniest, prettiest, or cleverest ornament. After light refreshments, guests take home one or two of their creations for their own tree.

CRAFTY IDEAS

Sweet Thought

An entertaining way to spend some time—and save some money—is in the creative kind of cooking that can be enjoyed by anyone of almost any age.

One thing you can do is make your own brown sugar—and save about 15 percent of the store price.

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AN UNUSUAL CHRISTMAS GIFT. His wife asked for a "rare" Christmas present this year so Elliott Torrence of Appomattox decided he could make her wish come true. She received a twenty-pound watermelon (shown under their Christmas tree in the photo above).

Mrs. Torrence was so pleased that she decided not to wait for Christmas Day to cut the melon and the family has already been enjoying the "out-of-season" melon. Very tasty, they tell us.

Think 'Safety' When Buying Toys For Children

Toy-related injuries will wipe out the joy of the holiday season for thousands of youngsters this year. Many accidents can be avoided by heeding some common sense precautions -- especially by hurried shoppers looking for children's gifts at the last minute.

The National Easter Seal Society suggests that shoppers take a few minutes to examine a toy before buying. That extra time could save a child from serious injury.

Although most toys on the market are safe for children, thanks to comprehensive safety standards developed by the American toy industry, there still are some that are potentially dangerous. The U. S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has banned some 1800 toys in the past three years, most of foreign origin.

Parents can help cut down accidents by providing safe storage space for toys suitable for older children that would be hazardous in the hands of young children. Most of the estimated 150,000 toy related injuries each year occur through misuse of the toys, lack of guidance and adequate instructions.

- Be sure your child is old enough or sophisticated enough for the toy you choose. Don't give a six-year-old shooting toys, or a pre-schooler a chemistry set.

- Beware of rough or sharp edges on toys and stay away from toddlers' toys that come apart easily - - those tiny parts can choke a child.

- When shopping for an infant, be sure toy is unbreakable and too big to fit in the child's mouth. A broken piece of plastic can do great damage to a youngster's eyes or ears.

- Check all electric toys to be sure that both the cord and the toy itself have UL (Underwriters Laboratory) approval. If not, don't buy it.

- Finally, teach your child to use his toys wisely. Go over the instructions with him and be sure he knows how to enjoy the gift safely.

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Amelia	525.47
Amherst	4,428.15
Appomattox	8,273.28
Augusta	253.37
Bedford County	1,482.28
Buckingham	6,395.84
Campbell	4,452.71
Cumberland	1,065.08
Fluvanna	243.18
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